



# **Advanced Technology Program**

## *Prosperity Through Innovation*

**Cita M. Furlani**  
**Acting Director**  
**Advanced Technology Program**

Tel: 301-975-3975

Fax: 301-869-1150

E-mail: [marc.stanley@nist.gov](mailto:marc.stanley@nist.gov)

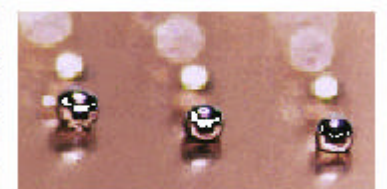
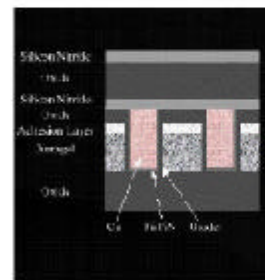
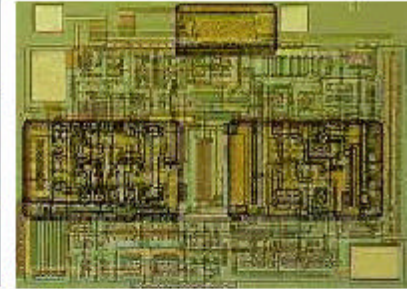
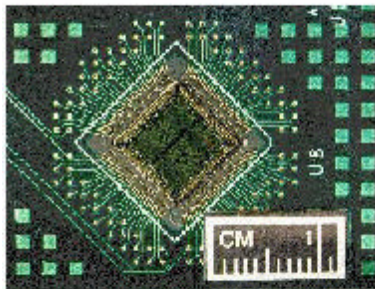
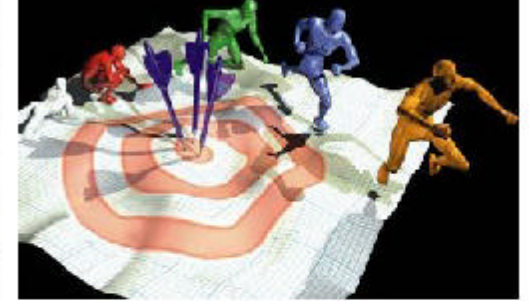
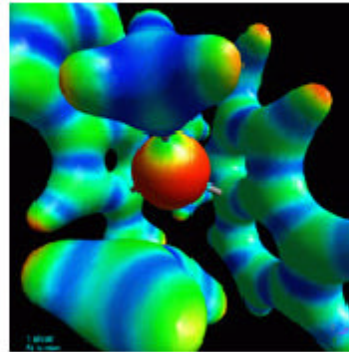
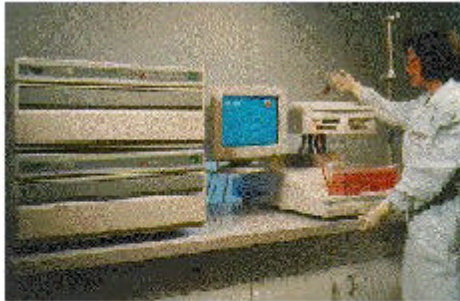
Toll free: 1-800-ATP-FUND

URL: [www.atp.nist.gov](http://www.atp.nist.gov)

**National Institute of Standards and Technology**  
**Technology Administration**  
**U.S. Department of Commerce**



National Institute of Standards and Technology • Technology Administration • U.S. Department of Commerce



## *Bridging the Gap Between the Laboratory and the Marketplace*



# *ATP Stimulates Industry*

*To tackle the R&D challenges of the 21st Century*

- ATP Mission:
  - ✓ Accelerate the development of innovative technologies
  - ✓ For broad national benefit
  - ✓ Through partnerships with the private sector



## *What the ATP Offers*

- Early financial support
  - ✓ Reduced risk for R&D investment
- Research support
  - ✓ Information on assembling a JV
  - ✓ Links to additional technical resources
- Recognition
  - ✓ Leverage for additional financing
  - ✓ External validation
- Independence
  - ✓ Companies retain their intellectual property rights



## *The Difference ATP Makes*

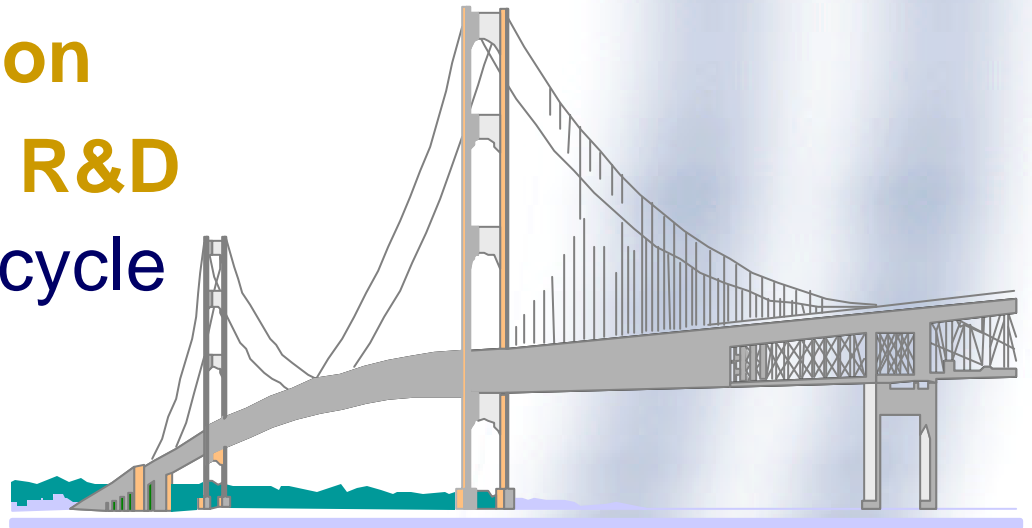
### **With the ATP, R&D is:**

- Higher risk
- Creating leap-frog technologies
- Leading to multiple applications
- Expanding company & national competencies
- Broadly diffused

**ATP**

## *Early Program Impacts*

- Developing **Leap-frog Technologies**
  - ✓ 37% of applications represent “new-to-the-world” solutions
- Leading to **Multiple Applications**
  - ✓ 4.5 applications per project
- Resulting in 100 **Commercialized Technologies**
- Stimulating **Collaboration**
- Accelerating **High Risk R&D**
  - ✓ 86% ahead in R&D cycle



## *More Program Impacts*

- Highlights from first 38 ATP projects completed:
  - ✓ 66% would not have proceeded at all without ATP support
  - ✓ 7 award winners
  - ✓ 24 projects with a new process, product or service in the marketplace
  - ✓ 60% of small, single-applicant companies more than doubled in size





## *ATP is part of NIST*

**NIST Mission:**  
Strengthen the U.S. economy and improve the quality of life by working with industry to develop and apply technology, measurements, and standards.



*Helping America  
Measure Up*

- 3,300 employees
- \$800 million annual budget
- 1,200 industrial partners
- 2,000 field agents
- 1,550 guest researchers
- \$1.5 billion co-funding of industry R&D
- National measurement standards





# *The Competitive Environment*

- Advances in technology account for more than **50 % of U.S. economic growth**
- Global competition has forced a focus on **short-term return** on investment
- Now more than ever, our nation's economic well being depends on **rapid development and commercialization** of technology





## *A Decade of Innovation*

- The Program is celebrating its 10th Year
- 468 projects awarded with 1,067 participants and 1,027 subcontractors (157 Joint Ventures)
- \$3 billion of advanced technology development funded
  - ✓ ATP Share = \$1.496 billion
  - ✓ Industry Share = \$1.499 billion
- Small businesses are thriving
  - ✓ > 50% of projects led by small businesses
- More than 145 Universities participate
- Nearly 20 national laboratories participate





# *Investments in Innovative Technologies*

## **Electronics and Photonics (\$329 M)**

- Microelectronics
- Optoelectronics
- Optics Technologies
- Power Technologies
- Wireless Electronics
- Organic Electronics

## **Biotechnology (\$254M)**

- DNA Technologies
- Tissue Engineering
- Drug Discovery Methods
- Proteomics
- Medical Devices & Imaging
- Microfluidics

## **Manufacturing (\$180 M)**

## **Information Technology (\$389 M)**

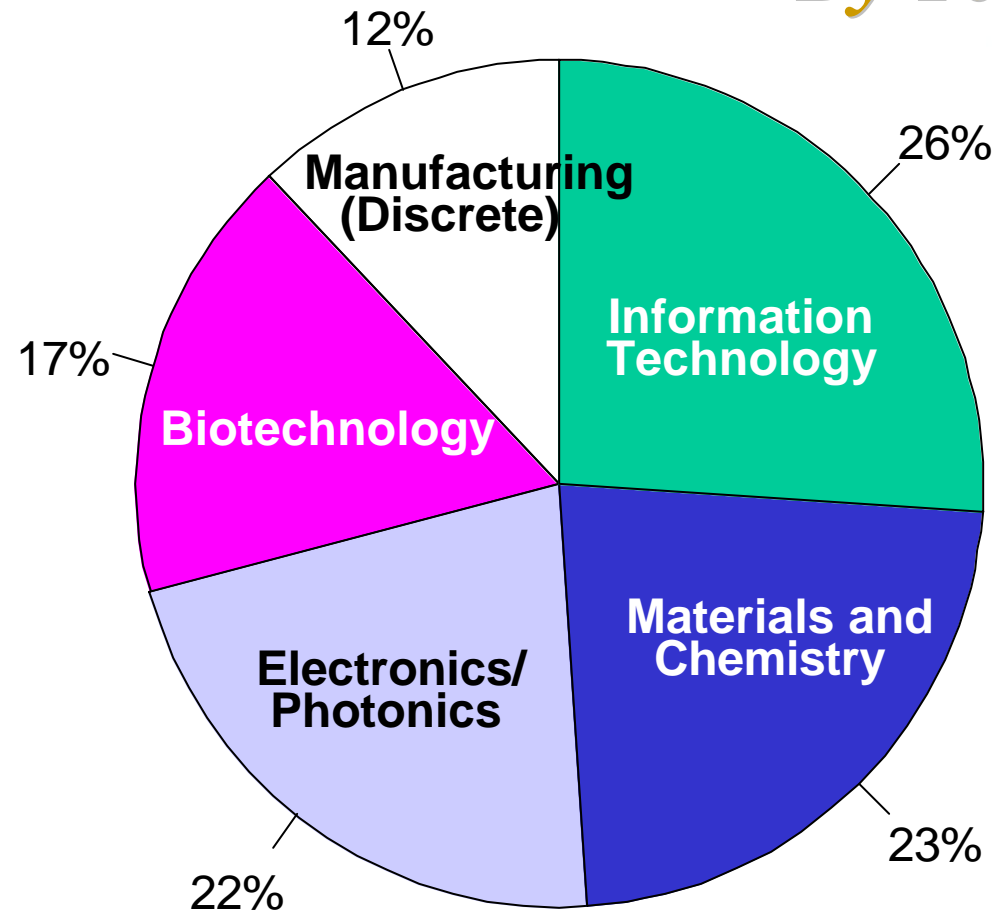
- Advanced Learning Systems
- Component-Based Software
- Digital Video
- Information Infrastructure for Healthcare
- Electronic Commerce
- Dependable Computing Systems
- Technologies for the Integration of Manufacturing Applications

## **Chemistry and Materials (\$344 M)**

- Chemical Processing
- Sensors
- Metabolic Engineering/Catalysis
- Combinatorial Methods
- Separations/Membranes
- Materials Processing
- Advanced Materials
- Nanotechnology
- Material Interfaces



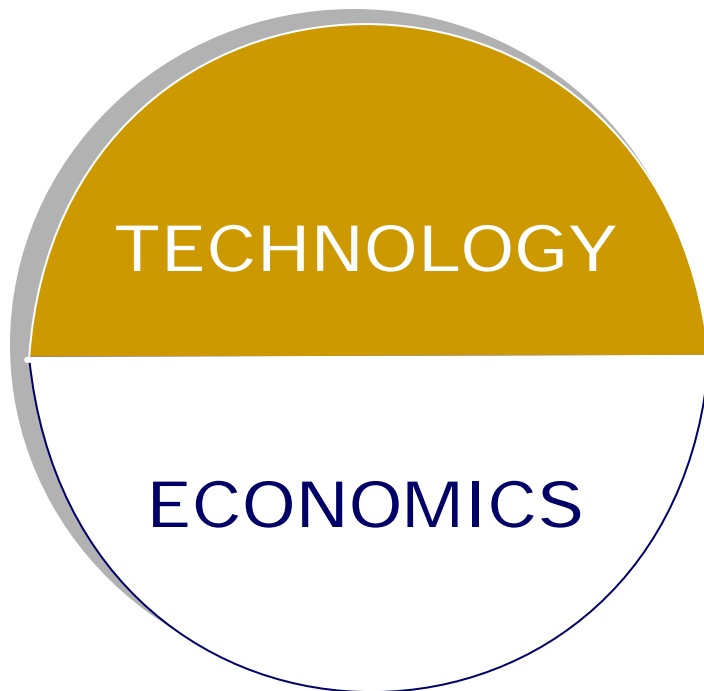
# *468 ATP Awards By Technology Area*



**Forty Competitions (1990-1999)**  
(As a percent of \$1,496 M)



## *Critical Elements of a Proposal ...*

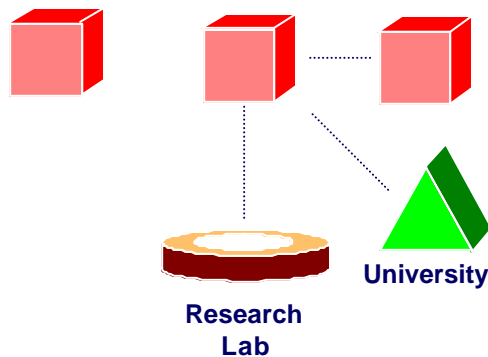


- **Scientific and Technological Merit (50%)**
  - ✓ Innovations in the Technology
  - ✓ High Technical Risk & Feasibility
  - ✓ Quality of R&D Plan
- **Broad-Based Economic Benefits (50%)**
  - ✓ Economic Benefits
  - ✓ Need for ATP Funding
  - ✓ Pathway to Economic Benefits

# ATP Eligibility

## SINGLE COMPANIES

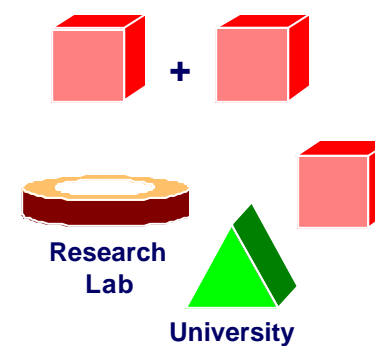
### *Alone*      *With Subcontractors*



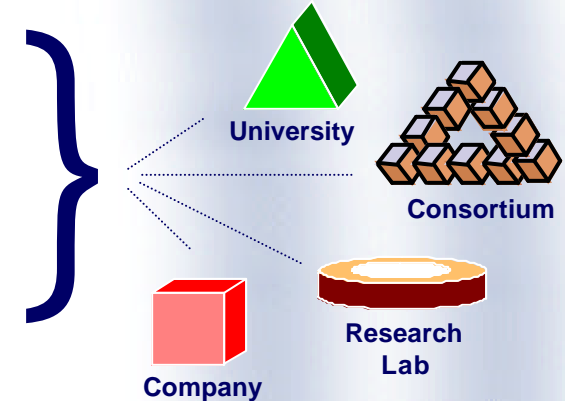
- For-profit company
- 3-year time limit
- \$2M award cap
- Company pays indirect costs
- Large companies cost share >60% of project cost

## JOINT VENTURES

### *Formal Alliances*



### *With Subcontractors*



- At least 2 for-profit companies
- 5-year time limit
- No limit on award amount
- Industry share >50% total cost

- Intellectual property is owned by the for-profit companies
- ATP encourages teaming arrangements - most projects involve alliances

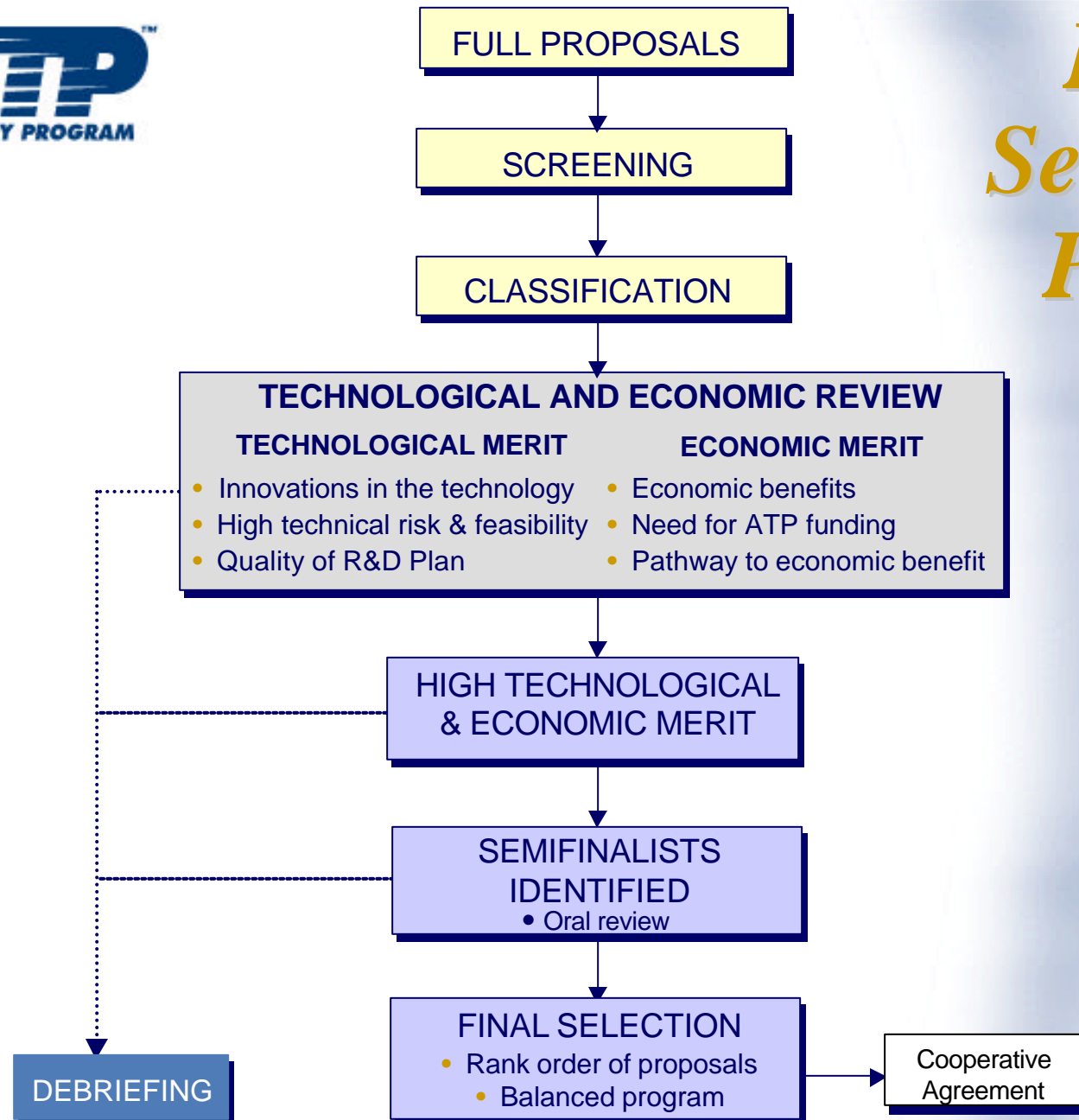
# *Proposal Evaluation*

Scientific & Engineering Peer Review



Business & Economic Peer Review

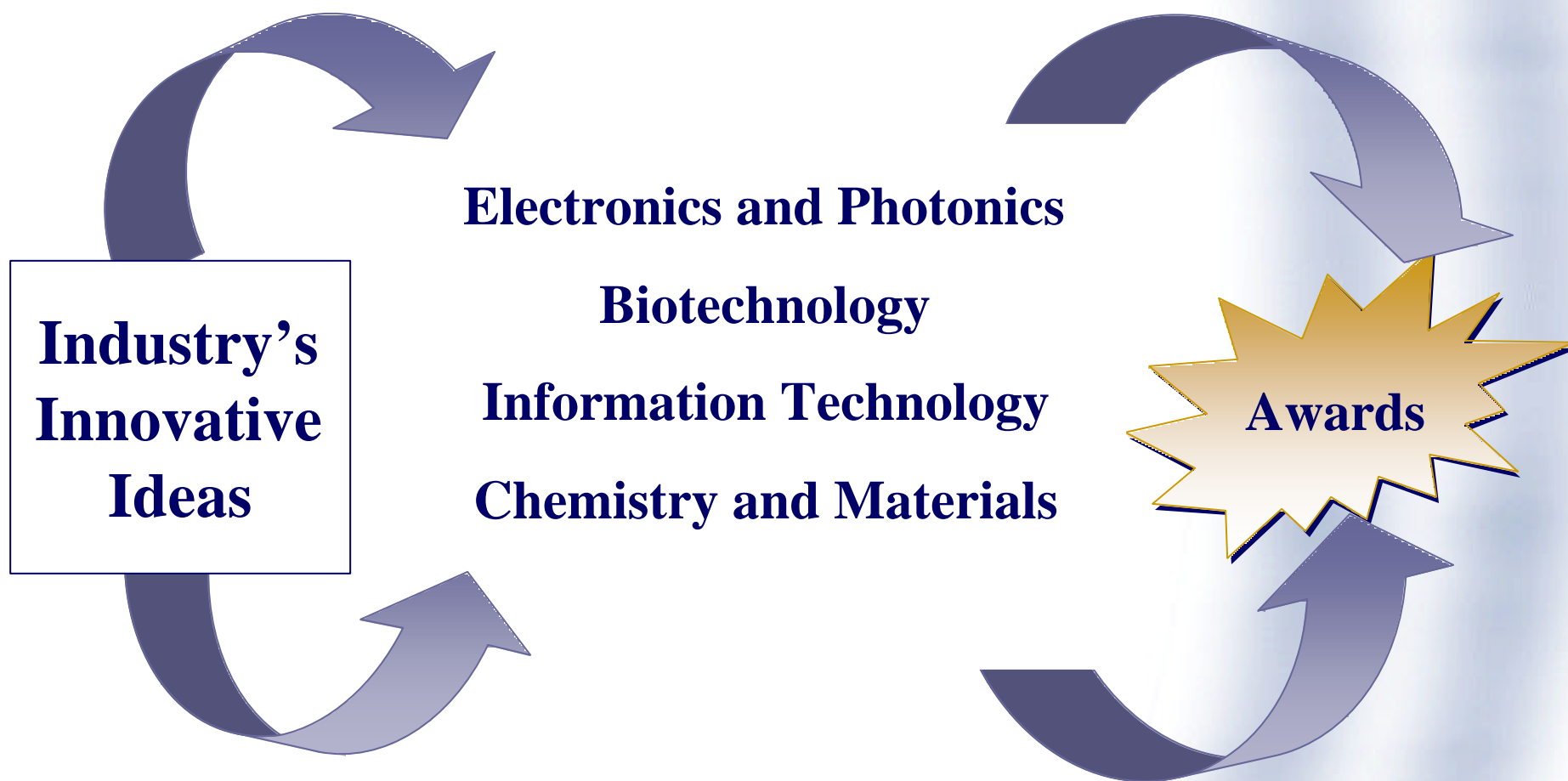
# *Project Selection Process*





# *Competition Structure*

## **2000 Technology-Specific Project Selection Committees**





# *Technology Offices Relationship with Industry*

- **Development**

- ✓ Support industry efforts to define high-risk, innovative projects and solicit related proposals for the ATP
- ✓ Explore highest priority technical opportunities and barriers with American industry
- ✓ Enable greater understanding of ATP criteria & objectives among industry through education and outreach

- **Selection**

- ✓ Responsible for bringing together the qualified experts, which include ATP staff, to effectively manage the peer-review selection process that is based on the ATP criteria

- **Management**

- ✓ Collaborate with awardees to ensure project success
- ✓ Government's technical & business representatives
  - Monitor project technical and business progress against agreed milestones and expenditures



- **Chemistry and Life Sciences**
  - ✓ Linda Schilling (301) 975-2887
  - ✓ linda.schilling@nist.gov
- **Electronics and Photonics**
  - ✓ Philip Perconti (301) 975-4263
  - ✓ philip.perconti@nist.gov
- **Information Technology and Applications**
  - ✓ Harris Liebergot (301) 975-5196
  - ✓ harris.liebergot@nist.gov
- **Economic Assessment**
  - ✓ Rosalie Ruegg (301) 975-6135
  - ✓ rosalie.ruegg@nist.gov



# What our Companies are Saying

***“[Our] members regard an ATP award as the gold medal in the research Olympics.”***

***“ATP provided us with the necessary financial bridge to move forward with our research.....it would not have been done otherwise.”***

***“ATP means the opportunity to take a revolutionary idea and drive it against all odds to make it a reality.”***

***“The ability to learn how to collaborate is ATP’s #1 spillover benefit. More than 70% of the results from [the ATP project] ended up with our smaller suppliers.”***

